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POLAND HAS SHORTAGE OF OPTICAL LENSES

IMPORT DOES NOT SATISFY DEMAND -- Ostatnie Wiadomosci, No 15, 3 Feb 50

There is a shortage of optical lenses in Poland. The state industry manufactures only "weaker" lenses, and the import does not satisfy the demand. Spectacle frames are very expensive. The State Factory in Katowice has discontinued manufacturing frames; however, in privately owned stores, plastic frames may be purchased at 2,000 - 3,000 zlotys.

POLAND MAKES OWN MOVIE PROJECTORS -- Ny Dag, No 42, 20 Feb 50

In order to make Poland independent of imports from abroad, Film Polski has set up two movie equipment plants in Lodz. These plants are now producing projectors, and other equipment. A 35-millimeter film projector was produced in 1946, and the production of these models amounted to 150 projectors in 1948. During the second half of 1948, a 16-millimeter sound movie projector was developed, and 400 of these models were produced in 1949.

The photo-technical and film production industries have developed very rapidly in Poland. At present, there are two factories for such production, one at Warsaw and the other at Bydgoszcz. Production from these two plants will later permit a certain amount of export.

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